
POLICY – SHIN GUARDS

THE POLICY

Football Federation Northern Territory Inc has a duty of care and is committed to the best Risk Management practice; fair and safe play in the sport of Football.

1. Safety

The Laws of the Game, Law 4 Players Equipment. A player must not use equipment or wear anything, which is dangerous to himself or another player (including any kind of jewellery).

2. Shinguards

- Are covered entirely by the stockings
- Are made of a suitable material (rubber, plastic, or similar substances)
- Provide a reasonable degree of protection.

3. Requirements

All players shall wear Shinguards during training and competition matches
Shinguards shall cover a minimum of 50% of the shin between the ankle and knee

4. Infringements/ Sanctions

For any infringement of this law:

- Play need not be stopped
- The player at fault is instructed by the referee to leave the field of play to correct his equipment
- The player leaves the field of play when the ball next ceases to be in play, unless he has already corrected his equipment
- Any player required to leave the field of play to correct his equipment does not re-enter without the referees permission
- The referee checks that the players equipment is correct before allowing him to re-enter the field of play
- The player is only allowed to re-enter the field of play when the ball is out of play

A player who has been required to leave the field of play because of an infringement of this Law and who enters (or re-enters) the field of play without the referees permission is cautioned and shown the yellow card.

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